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**MISSOURI FELON SENTENCED TO AN ADDITIONAL 4 YEARS 3 MONTHS FOR
PASSING \$78,000.00 IN FORGED INSTRUMENTS**

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **EDWARD RAIFSNIDER**, age 47, of Missouri, was sentenced to 4 years and 3 months imprisonment and three years supervised release following his plea of guilty to passing counterfeit checks totaling over \$78,000 in the Western District of Kentucky. **There is no parole in the federal judicial system.**

The Honorable Judge John G. Heyburn, III sentenced **Raifsnider** immediately following his change of plea. **Raifsnider** is currently serving a 15 year sentence for being a felon in possession of a firearm that was imposed by a federal judge in the Western District of Missouri.

The Superseding Indictment charged that on three separate occasions **Raifsnider** gave counterfeit cashier's checks to individuals selling their automobiles. Before the seller could determine that the cashier check was counterfeit, **Raifsnider** would drive the vehicle to another state and immediately sell it to a dealer at a reduced price. Using counterfeit cashier's checks, **Raifsnider** stole vehicles from individuals in Oldham, Jefferson, and Carlisle counties.

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The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Bryan Calhoun, and it was investigated by the United States Secret Service, Financial Fraud Task Force.

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